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### Returned Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Jones, nee Miss Emma Story, whose marriage was solemnized in late October, have returned to this city from a several weeks wedding journey to eastern cities. They are residing in their new home on Benoni avenue.

### A Musical.

The younger music pupils of Mrs. M. D. Christie gave a recital last evening at her residence on Locust avenue. The programme which was delightfully rendered was heard by the parents and friends of the performers, who were Betha Smoot, Gladys Shroyer, Frances Helmick, Helen Poole, Mildred and Marjorie LeMasters, Katharine Arnett, Virginia Alexander, Eleanor Peckford, Louise Showalter, Louise Burns, Agnes Talbot, Mary Margaret Talbot, Margaret Danby, Naomi Furbee, Irene Tetrick, Leah Gilkerson and Ernest Russell.

### Lucas Cunningham.

Cards have been received here announcing the marriage of Miss Margaret Cunningham to Mr. Arthur Meville Lucas, which event was solemnized Thursday the sixteenth at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cunningham in Washington, D. C. Miss Cunningham's father was a former resident of Marion county and his family has frequently visited in this city. The cards read:

Mr. and Mrs. John N. Cunningham announce the marriage of their daughter, Margaret Browne to Mr. Arthur Belleville Lucas, Jr., on Thursday, November the sixteenth, nineteen hundred and eleven, Washington, D. C. At home after January the first, The Cavendish, Columbia Road.

### To Meet Monday.

The Literature Department of the Woman's club will meet on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. building.

### Art Department.

The third meeting of the art department of the Woman's Club will be held on Monday afternoon promptly at three o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. building. Members are urged to be

present as important business will be transacted. The programme for the meeting is as follows:

Early Academicians  
Daniel Huntington  
H. P. Gray.....Mrs. L. G. Race  
David Johnston  
Samuel Morse.....Mrs. C. E. Scott  
Charles Elliott  
Wm. Page.....Mrs. W. H. Conaway  
Discussion—One way to increase in art locally—Leader, Mrs. Edwin Robinson.

### Snyder-Varnar.

To-day at the Baptist parsonage occurred the marriage of Mr. George W. Snyder, of Morgantown, and Miss Lizzy Varnar, of Fairview. Rev. W. J. Eddy, pastor of the Baptist church, performed the ceremony.

### UP-TO-DATE

### BARBER SHOP

GOULD AND ZUNDELL HAS OPENED FINE PLACE IN BASEMENT OF COURT HOUSE.

Gould and Zundell, two popular, tonorial artists of this city have opened up a new shop in the Court House, on the ground floor, in the room next to Squite Amos' office, and formerly occupied by the insurance offices of Mr. Chas. W. Evans.

An entrance has been made from Jefferson street across into the side of the building, and there is also an entrance on the inside, leading into the room from the corridors.

The shop is equipped with the new cut and most up to date barber fixtures known, and is one of the prettiest shops in the city.

The room has three chairs in it, the chairs being of white enamel, while the mirrors are set in marble frames. All of the latest electrical appliances and massaging machines are used, and the walls have fresh coats of paint on them, while the floor is covered with some very pretty linoleum.

One of the outside features of the place, and one that is attracting quite a lot of attention from all who see it

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is the whirling barber pole or barber sign in front of the shop. This consists of a contrivance within a large glass case, which is revolved by mechanical power, causing a streaked effect, which is used the world over as a reminder that there is a barber shop.

### Kelley-Hahn.

Married, to-day at 2 o'clock, at the residence of the officiating minister, Dr. H. C. Howard, on Fairmont avenue, Mr. Holmes Kelley and Miss Mary Hahn, both of this city. They will reside at the Watson Hotel.

## SERIOUSLY INJURED

DORSEY R. MULLEN CAUGHT AT WHICH TIME HE WAS COUPLING CARS. FOOT IS TERRIBLY MANGLED.

Mr. Dorsey R. Mullen a resident of the First ward and an employee on the B. & O. railroad was seriously injured this morning while at his work as brakeman near Chiefton. Mr. Mullen was engaged in coupling his engine with a car, when in some manner his right foot was caught and seriously injured, being crushed and mangled.

The accident occurred about three o'clock this morning and the injured man was admitted to the Miners hospital about six o'clock where his injuries were dressed. While his foot is terribly crushed, it is not thought at this time that it will be necessary to amputate the member. Mr. Mullen is a young married man and resides at 428 Market street.

## LIBRARY DAY IS TO BE OBSERVED

PROGRAMS PLANNED BY DEPARTMENT FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER THE 8.

The program for Library Day in the public schools of the state is now being delivered by the public printer to the State Superintendent of the Schools who will distribute about 9,000 copies among the county superintendents from whom teachers will be able to procure them. The pamphlet is a neat affair and contains 50 pages. Library Day falls on Friday, December 8. The growth of the libraries in the public schools of West Virginia has been phenomenal. In 1897 there were but 326 volumes in all the schools. In 1900 the figures went up to 17,169, and five years later or 1905 they were 74,092 but in the following year there was another big jump and in 1906 the total was 126,602. In 1910 the number of volumes reached 260,822 which was increased to 285,929 this year.

The state superintendent makes a plan that the number of volumes for 1912 be above the 300,000 mark, and basing it on the same rate of increase made during the past year the 1912 figures will be much above the 290,000 mark.

The booklet shows that there are 9,072 school rooms in the state, 8,463 of these are in the country districts and 9,072 in the cities. In the country districts there are 232,834 volumes in the libraries while in the city schools there are 285,929 volumes.

Among the cities Parkersburg leads with 25,000 volumes Huntington being next with 10,000. Among the counties, Mason county has almost twice as many as Harrison which is second. The former has 24,392 volumes, against 14,911 for Harrison, and 11,009 for Marshall, 9,747 for Wetzel, 9,320 for Marion and so on down to Wayne with but 292 volumes and Wyoming with 240. The total number of schools with libraries is given at 3,669.

### SAFE BLOWN.

In Beverly, W. Va. Postoffice and Burglars Secure \$530, Then Escape.

ELKINS, W. Va., Nov. 18.—Money and stamps to the value of \$530 were secured by burglars who at an early hour yesterday morning blew the safe of the postoffice at Beverly. Entrance was effected through a rear door. The safe was wrecked. No clue was found to the burglars.

On November 10, 1910, the same office was robbed, but efforts to blow the safe failed and less than \$50 was secured. The burglars, who were perhaps the same people, were more successful this time.

### AMENDMENTS LOST.

(By United Press.)  
HARRISBURG, Pa., Nov. 18.—Vote on constitutional amendments at Philadelphia, Allegheny, Dauphin returns received to-day follow: No. 1 for 34,447; against, 24,665. No. 2, for, 44,835; against, 52,901.

### Four Cent Gas.

CLARKSBURG.—The Clarksburg Light and Heat Company has closed a contract with the Phillips Sheet and Tin Plate Company of this city for four cent gas for a period of five years from 1912.



CHRISTINE MILLER, CONTRALTO.

## WICKERSHAM IS CRITICISED

POMERINE DISCUSSES FAILURE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL TO CRIMINALLY PROSECUTE TRUST HEADS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 18.—A general attack upon the decree of the Circuit Court of New York in the dissolution of the American Tobacco Company, and a specific comparison of the activities of Attorney General Wickersham and former Attorney General Judson Harmon in enforcing the Sherman anti-trust law against great combinations, enlivened yesterday's hearing of the Senate committee on interstate commerce, which is investigating the trust problem with a view to new legislation.

Senator Pomerene, of Ohio, in vigorous questions directed toward H. B. Martin, a witness before the committee, asked if he knew of "any justification for the head of a department of the government to take the position that he will not enforce the criminal provisions of the Sherman anti-trust law."

"There appears to be little effort in the department of justice to enforce the criminal provisions of the law," said Senator Pomerene. "Do you know of any statute or other authority, which justifies an attorney general in taking the position that he may enforce the statute in the civil courts, but decline to enforce its criminal provisions? I regard the course of the department in its failure to enforce these provisions as most reprehensible."

Defends Wickersham.  
Senator Oliver was the only member of the committee who replied to the attack on the attorney general. Also addressing the witness, he wanted to know what the latter thought of the "comparative reprehensibility" of an attorney general "who actively and successfully enforces a law like this, who resurrects it and makes it effective, and proceeds at least toward successful civil prosecutions, as compared with one of his predecessors, who did not, and who practically declared the law a dead letter."

"I refer to former Attorney General Judson Harmon, of Ohio," said Senator Oliver, looking across the table to Senator Pomerene.

The committee showed signs of an impatient outbreak.

Senator Pomerene declared it was not Mr. Harmon, but his predecessor, Richard Olney, who had said, in substance, that the law was a dead letter. Mr. Harmon, he said, took up and pushed to a decision in the Supreme Court the Trans-Missouri rate case, and made every effort to revivify the Sherman law. Other members of the committee refrained from taking part in the discussion, and it was quickly dropped.

The dissolution decree in the American Tobacco Company case, dividing the trust into four separate organizations, was characterized at several times during the hearing as a construction of the Sherman law that failed to restore competition or meet the spirit of desired trust control.

Senator Cummins said he did not believe there could be actual competition enforced under the present Sherman law.

Changes in Sherman Law.  
"There are clearly two movements under way for changes in the Sherman law," said Senator Cummins; "the first for a mitigation of the provisions of the law; the other toward amendments and supplementary acts that will make it a more efficient instrument for the preservation of competition."

He expressed his sympathy with the latter, adding that "the two plans have little in common."

The effect of a law prohibiting directors of steel and coal companies from sitting in the directorates of railroads was briefly discussed during the hearing. Senator Townsend, of Michigan, declared he favored such an act, but he believed the one offered to the committee would permit of the same end being accomplished through dummy directors.

Samuel Untermyer, of New York, whose plan for trust legislation was outlined in a report to the National Civic Federation last week, will be heard by the committee to-day. His plan includes the appointment of a commission similar to the interstate commerce commission to deal with industrial corporations with a capital

of more than \$1,000,000, doing business in more than one State, the corporations to be licensed by the federal government.

## PERSONALS AS THEY COME AND GO

Mrs. Carrie Carpenter returned last night from Pittsburgh where she had been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Shaw. Mrs. Carpenter has also visited her daughter, Mrs. John Cavender, in Chicago.

Mrs. W. H. Spedden has returned from Pittsburgh where she had been for several days.

Rev. W. I. Canter has returned from Elkins where he attended the State I. O. O. F. meeting.

Mrs. Frank P. Kelley and son, James, will return to-night from Keyser, where she was called by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. David Arnold. Mrs. Arnold who has recently undergone a severe operation at the Keyser hospital has come to her sister's home in Keyser where she is recuperating rapidly.

Mrs. Martha Sturgess, of Connelleville, Pa., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. L. D. Howard, on Maple avenue. Dr. Howard who has been ill, is greatly improved.

Dr. and Mrs. Logan Carr, of New York City, are the guests of the former's brother and son, Mr. L. P. Carr and Dr. H. H. Carr.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Nuzum of Clarksburg are the guests of Mrs. M. A. Nuzum on Locust avenue.

C. M. Madera, of Grafton of the B. & O. Relief department is in the city.

R. C. Darby, of Morgantown is in the city to-day.

President Thos. E. Hodges of the W. V. U. was in the city to-day en route home from Mannington.

C. W. Els, of Wheeling is in the city to-day.

Miss Allie Fleming has gone to Baltimore to spend several weeks.

Ward Gilpin, returned last night from a weeks visit at his home at Beverly.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay Downs left to-day for Atlantic City where they will reside.

Stuart Race, of the W. V. U., is in town to spend Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Race.

Mrs. J. C. Arbogast and Mr. Sam Dutcher will leave to-night for Asheville, S. C.

## STATE NEWS

### Grand Jury Dismissed.

MIDDLEBOURNE.—The grand jury, the third since June, impelled by Judge Willis here on Wednesday, was discharged last night after they reported they had not found an indictment. The case called particularly to the attention of the jury was the disappearance of certain important papers before the last grand jury, and the name of a prominent Sistersville business man was involved. He was cleared.

The court, it is understood will not assemble another grand jury until February, so that the unrest in the county will have time to settle.

### Two Hurt in Wreck.

LITTLETON.—Two men were painfully hurt in a small freight wreck near Littleton Thursday morning. Fred Faust, brakeman, and John Weekly, conductor, both of McMechen, were the victims. Weekly sustained a mashed foot, which was amputated at the City hospital at Wheeling yesterday. Faust sustained cuts about the head and face, but his condition is not serious.

### Head of College.

MARTINSBURG.—Dr. A. H. Woods, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Woods, of this city, has just been elected president of the Canton Christian College, at Canton, China. Despite the fact that Canton is the center of the rebellion now in progress, Dr. Woods is preparing to leave for his new post. His family will remain for a time at least in Martinsburg.

### TURNED DOWN

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The next move looking to the voluntary disintegration of the International Harvester company rests with that corporation. The negotiations between the department of justice and the company have been temporarily suspended, pending action by officials of the so-called harvester trust upon the department's objections to the plan of dissolution submitted by the representatives of the company.

### YEGGMAN IS KILLED.

Gets Warm Reception While Attempting to Rob Postoffice.

(By United Press.)  
SYRACUSE, N. Y., Nov. 18.—An unidentified yeggmán was shot and killed to-day while endeavoring to rob a postoffice at Chittenango. Another one escaped.

### BEFORE THE GRAND JURY.

The following named witnesses were examined before the grand jury to-day:

Joseph McElfresh, Loman Holt, Okey Watkins, Jesse Stephens, Clarence West, Louie Hager, G. V. Jolliffe, Morgan Moran, James Martin, Roy Neely, Clarence Bradley, Dallas Bradley, Frank Neely, M. M. Lawson, Thomas Boggs, J. N. Kuba, Harry Shaw, John Price.

## GOLD MEDAL FLOUR

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## LETTER HAS MANY SCARED INTO FITS

TIMID ONES MAKING POOR EDITORS' LIES MISERABLE WITH REQUESTS FOR SPACE.

Papers throughout the United States are printing what is alleged to be a letter written by Christ.

In this letter was an injunction that it should be published to the world by whoever found it, together with the statement that misfortune and bad luck would follow the person having possession of it in the event that it was not given publicly.

There was likewise a promise that whoever may have a copy of this in his or her possession, will prosper and be followed by good fortune.

The Messenger has received requests by the score to print this letter, so if it will relieve the superstitious fear of any one, here it is:

According to the history of the letter, it was written by Christ just after his crucifixion, signed by the Angel Gabriel 99 years after the Savior's birth and presumably deposited by him under a stone at the foot of the cross.

On this stone appeared the legend, "Blessed is he who shall turn me over."

No one knew what the inscription meant, or seemed to have sufficient curiosity to investigate, until the stone was turned over by a little child and the letter which follows was discovered:

"Whoever works on the Sabbath day shall be cursed. I command you to go to church and keep holy the Lord's Day, without any manner of work. You shall not idle or mispend your time in bedecking yourself in the fineries of costly apparel and in vain dressing for I have ordered it a day of rest. I will have that day kept holy that your sins may be forgiven you."

"You will not break my commandments, but observe and keep them, they being written by my hand and spoken from my mouth. You shall not only go to church yourselves, but also your man servant and maid servant. Observe my words and learn my commandments."

"You shall finish your work every Saturday at 6 o'clock in the afternoon at which hour the preparation for the Sabbath begins. I advise you to fast five days in the year, beginning on Good Friday and continuing the five days following in remembrance of the five bloody wounds I received for you and mankind."

"You shall love one another and cause them that are not baptized to come to church and receive the Holy Sacrament, that is to say baptism, and then the Supper of the Lord and he made a member thereof and in so doing I will give you long life and many blessings. Your land shall be replenished and bring forth abundance and I will comfort you in the greatest temptation and surely he that doeth to the contrary shall be cursed."

"I will also send hardness of the heart on them and especially on hardened and unpenitent unbelievers. He that hath given to the poor shall find it profitable. Remember to keep the Sabbath day, for the seventh day to have taken as a resting day to myself."

"And he that hath a copy of the letter, written by my own hand and spoken by my own mouth and keepeth it without publishing it to others shall not prosper, but he that publisheth it to others shall be blessed by me and if their sins be as many as the stars by night, and if the truly believe they shall be pardoned and they that believe not this writing and my commandments will have my plagues upon you and you will be consumed with your children, good and cattle and all other worldly enjoyments that I have given you. Do but once think of what I have suffered for you in this world and in the world which is to come."

"Whoever shall have a copy of this letter and keep it in their house nothing shall hurt them, neither pestilence, thunder nor lightning, and or any women be in birth and put her trust in me she shall be delivered of her child. You shall hear no more news of me except through the Holy Scriptures until the day of judgment. All goodness and prosperity shall be in the house where a copy of this letter shall be found. Finished."

The story goes that the little child who found it passed it to one who became a convert to the Christian faith. He failed to have the letter published. He kept it, however, as a sacrament of Christ and passed it down to different generations of his family for more than one thousand years.

During this period the family suffered repeated misfortunes, migrated to different countries until finally one of them came to America, bringing the letter with him. The family settled in Virginia, then moved to

ther South still followed by misfortune when finally the last member, a daughter, approached her death and called a neighbor, Mrs. Thompson, giving her the letter and related to her its history for more than 1000 years. The Thompson woman began the attempt to have it published and it first appeared in the Rome, Ga. Tribune on October 31, 1881. It then appeared in the Dalton, Ga. Citizen and Mrs. Wortman, now living in Marion, Ind., clipped it and kept it in her possession for many years without an effort to have it published. She was followed by misfortune which she attributed to her neglect in trying to have the letter published.

Mrs. Ruby Crutchfield, of Trenton, Tenn., is also said to have had a copy and failed to make an effort to have it published for three years, and was followed by a varied lot of misfortunes which she attributed to the fact of her neglect in this respect.

### RUMMAGE SALE.

The Ladies of the W. C. T. U. will hold a rummage sale in room under Home Savings bank formerly occupied by Gilkerson the Tailor. Sale begins Nov. 16th and members and friends are urged to contribute.

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I have a recipe for these troubles that you can depend on, and if you want to make a quick recovery, you ought to write and get a copy of it. Many a doctor would charge you \$3.50 just for writing this prescription, but I have it and will be glad to send it to you entirely free. Just drop me a line like this: Dr. A. E. Robinson, 11720 Luck Building, Detroit, Mich., and I will send it by return mail in a plain envelope. As you will see when you get it, this recipe contains only pure, harmless remedies, but it has great healing and pain conquering power.

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